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You never saw a healthy cynic, growler or grumbler. Their soured thought poisons them. Their spirits are sick. That makes their bodies sick. Cure the spirit, change the state of mind, replace the desire to make others feel disagreeably by that of making them feel agreeably and you are on the road to cure disease. To hate is simply to expend force in tearing yourself, your spirit, to pieces. Hate tears you down. Good will to all builds you up. —Prentice Mulford.

The East Oregonian believes in free trade with everybody—excepting peddlers.

It was thoughtful of Kuropatkin to name his successor in command, should he be disabled. From the present point of view, this honor is not enviable, however.

The Russians and Japanese are trying to fight a war without the American mule. It can't be done, as was shown by the efforts to pull through the mud on the retreat from Liao Yang to Mukden. Only the American mule is equal to the task of pulling artillery and transport wagons for miles over rough roads or on roads. He has the patience and strength with endless endurance and will wear out the best horses under such circumstances.

Umatilla county should be proud of some of the printing now being done for the different officials. The teachers' institute programs and circular letter printed for the county superintendent at cheap rates by the official paper are a disgrace to the art of printing and do injustice to the educational standard and high ideals of Umatilla county educators. Cheap rates will produce "cheap" work and cheap work lowers the standard of those using it in the eyes of observant and scrupulous strangers receiving it. The Thursday Afternoon Club recently had a program printed at cheap rates but it is safe to say they will not want another job of the same quality at any price.

The czar of Russia is the owner of over a hundred estates, all of which supply him with private revenues, but he is also the possessor of a hundred palaces and castles, which have to be maintained in imperial style at a great expense to the owner. The czar has more servants than anyone else in the world, for a veritable army of over 30,000 domestics—cooks, pages, butlers, grooms, gardeners and so forth—is employed on his estates. He possesses over 40 residences which he has viewed externally, but never inhabited, even for one night, and another score in which he has slept on only one occasion. The czar's private stable contains over 5000 horses belonging to him and the herds of cattle feeding on his own lands are estimated to number over 50,000 head.

The East Oregonian does not believe that the Grant county cattlemen who have been asked to pay a part of the great damage they did to Umatilla county roads by driving 1800 head of cattle along the grades, have a just grievance against Umatilla county road supervisors for asking damages. This immense drove of cattle rolled all the loose stones from the mountain side into the wagon road, rendering the road almost impassable for teams at places. There are now hundreds of teams from the interior—driving toward Pendleton for winter supplies. Most of the owners of those teams are residents and taxpayers of Umatilla county, and come here regularly and leave hundreds of thousands of dollars in the city. These Grant county cattlemen come here perhaps once a year,

they pay no taxes in this county and yet complain if they are asked to pay a very small part of the damage they do to Umatilla county roads. They are reasonable men and should not hold a grudge at this city or this county because they are asked to help make good the injury they do to the county roads. Cattle droves should be trailed over the mountains wherever possible to prevent damage to roads. Pendleton and Umatilla county must insist that residents and regular patrons be protected in their rights as well as outside residents who make only occasional visits here.

The Weston Leader and Athena Press designate Pendleton business men who are attempting to secure better train service between the towns along the O. R. & N. in Umatilla county as "trade grabbers" and exhibit a strong opposition to any change in the present schedule of the mixed train. The Press and Leader both know very well that there is a certain amount of surplus trade in both Weston and Athena, and in every other town, that goes away from home. Even Pendleton, with her matchless mercantile advantages, furnishes a certain amount of mail order business to Portland firms. Knowing this to be a fact, should not the Press and Leader exhibit enough local pride, to wish to divert the surplus trade to their county seat, instead of to Walla Walla, or some other point outside of Oregon? Improved train service will not only get Umatilla county people in the habit of coming to the county seat, instead of going to Walla Walla, but it will give Weston, Athena, Adams and Milton a great advantage over any other towns in Eastern Oregon by having two regular passenger trains each way, each day. It will facilitate travel to attend to necessary business at the county seat, place those towns in close communication with the main line of the Harriman system and remove the last obstacle in the path of their growth as towns. If the improved train service brings increased trade to Pendleton, will not the money be spent in a Umatilla county town, which shares with Weston and Athena in supporting the county government? Do Weston and Athena wish their surplus trade to go to Walla Walla? Do they desire the present handicap of uncertain train service to build up a Washington town, instead of heartily assisting in diverting their surplus trade to Pendleton?

ST. LOUIS FAIR NOTES.

A mine tramway forms an interesting feature of the Missouri display in the palace of mines and metallurgy at the World's fair. The cars, containing the many valuable mineral products of the state, are continuously in motion and show visitors an actual mining process.

Fifty varieties of agricultural products are shown in the Texas exhibit in the palace of agriculture at the fair. This is exclusive of the various vegetables, which are only counted as one variety. The display includes the semi-tropical products of rice, sugar, tobacco and cotton, as well as all products that grow in the northern climates.

A cross section of a poplar tree 800 years old is exhibited in the North Carolina section of the palace of forestry, fish and game at the Louisiana Purchase exposition. Its diameter when Columbus discovered America was about 5 inches. It is now more than that many feet. The growth was traced by rings, one for each year.

The Japanese sport of wild duck fowling is one of the most important aristocratic pastimes of the empire. A model of the imperial reserves at Shinjima, with photographs of the sport, and the implements used, is shown in the palace of forestry, fish and game at the World's fair.

The Chicago Press Club has arranged to visit the World's fair in a body, spending several days of October at the Inside Inn. This club visited St. Louis nearly three years ago, having charge of the dedication of the Press pavilion, the first building completed on the World's fair grounds.

Each native of the Igorrote village on the Philippine reservation has been presented with a wheel by the Columbia Bicycle Company and is now busily engaged learning to ride. The best rider will be entered in the next bicycle meet in the Stadium.

SCHOOL OF ASSASSINATION.

Seventy persons have been arrested at Foggia, Italy, for belonging to a society whose objects are robbery and murder. At the headquarters of the society at Barietta there was a school for the members, who were taught the best way to rob and assassinate quickly. The members paid a monthly subscription, and were graduated according to the amount of money they brought to the funds of the society. For two years they have terrorized the towns of the Adriatic. Whenever members were arrested by the police on charges of murder comrades came forward, and by proving an alibi obtained their acquittal.

Ernest N. Bales, a San Francisco druggist, shot and killed Mrs. Annie Engleberger Friday. He claimed the shooting to have been accidental.

THE TREATING CUSTOM.

The American treating custom is to be blamed for a large amount of intemperance.

The average man who drinks "occasionally" is a good fellow. He is good-hearted. But the desire to foster good-fellowship and a disposition to be generous are frequently the causes of his undoing.

The custom of "setting up" the drinks is the cause of much over-drinking, if such a term may be used. A man goes into a saloon. He wants only one drink. A gang of his friends comes in. He cannot get away without drinking with all of them. That is the ethics of the bar. Before he leaves he is filled up.

If one is determined to drink (and there are millions who seem thus determined) the safer procedure is the "Dutch treat"—the kind where every man treats himself.

Our German fellow citizens follow this custom largely and one seldom sees a German much the worse for liquor.

The man who follows the treating custom is probably a moral coward. He is afraid of offending. The conventions demand that he should "set 'em up to the boys" and he is too weak to refuse. He fears being called a "tight wad."

The man who bows to the treating custom is probably also a fool. He acts foolishly. He drinks when he has no desire. He makes an occasion where there is no sensible excuse. In a competition of generosity he makes a swill barrel of himself to please his fellows. He prostrates the virtue of friendship and makes it a vice.

Do not drink at all. Abstinence is the only safe course.

If you must drink, go it alone. Make every occasion of it a Dutch treat.—Spokane Press.

ALWAYS LOOKING AHEAD.

Hardly have the crop fakirs ceased speculation on the yield of this year's wheat crop than that of 1905 becomes a factor in the field of forecasting. Trading in 1905 crop futures was inaugurated quite generally in all important markets last week. The opening prices are very low as compared with prevailing wheat prices, but very high as compared with initial new crop features of ordinary years.

The next important trade question to be considered will be the size and quality of the Argentine crop. That the Argentine crop is to have an important bearing on the prices of the world is evidenced by the fact that an American crop expert, Inglis, already has been sent out to view it.

Conjecture and uncertainty are essential to active speculation and looking at the matter in this light the so-called experts are a necessary evil.—Chicago Livestock World.

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He is firmly convinced that the hookworm is fully as dangerous as malaria. It kills, saps life and energy, loses the time of workmen, plays havoc with the domestic affairs of a household, and at the same time is little understood by the medical profession. "Sufferers from hookworm," Dr. Stiles says, "show many symptoms, not all alike by any means. The face of a confirmed sufferer has an anxious, stupid expression and is sometimes bloated. The pupils of the eyes are frequently dilated, and the eyes are dull, dry and usually of a chalky white. Sometimes there is a stupid, fish-like stare that is hard to describe, very similar to that noticed in cases of extreme alcoholic intoxication."

"A perverted and generally ravenous appetite is one of the symptoms of the disease. Patients are especially fond of pickles. I have seen boys and girls greedily devour entire bottles of pickles. Others want salt or lemon, or to chew coffee or drink large quantities of coffee without sugar or milk. The disease was often encountered in South Carolina, Georgia and other Southern states.—New York World.

SATISFIED.

I don't think I would care to change this old world if I could. What could be sweeter than the songs

Of wild birds in the wood? Or prettier than sweet sixteen? More grand than matronhood? Oh, no, I wouldn't change the world At all; not if I could.

Could I improve a baby's laugh? Add sweetness to the look A mother gives her little brood? Add beauty to the brood? I would not dare nor care to try. Sky, wood and plain and dell Are good enough for me, I guess; They suit me pretty well. —Houston Post.

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